

December 2015

Program Alerts

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) released the Stage 3 and 2015 -2017 Modification Rule on October 6, 2015. The Kentucky Medicaid EHR Incentive Program team immediately began gathering the requirements for the system changes and is hard at work implementing and testing those changes. At this time, a date has not been set when the attestation website will be available for Program Year 2015 Meaningful Use (MU) attestation. As soon as a date is determined, an announcement will be placed on the attestation home screen as well as communicated in the Important Dates section of the next Fact Sheet. The Kentucky Medicaid EHR Incentive Program has extended the attestation tail period from March 30th to May 31, 2016 to accommodate attestation submission. Providers are encouraged to review guidance available on the Kentucky Medicaid EHR Incentive Program website to ensure all program requirements are met.

Important Dates

Eligible Professionals and Eligible Hospitals:

- **December 31, 2015**
Last day of the Calendar Year (CY). Reporting year ends for Program Year 2015.
- **2016**
Last year to initiate participation in Medicaid EHR Incentive Program.
- **January 1, 2016**
Reporting year begins for Program Year 2016.
- **January 1 – February 29, 2016**
CAH 2015 Hardship Application Submission Period.
- **February 29, 2016**
Last day to attest to receive an incentive payment for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2015.
- **May 31, 2016**
Last day to attest to receive an incentive payment for Calendar Year (CY) 2015.
- **July 1, 2016**
Last day to apply for Hardship Exception to avoid 2017 Medicare Payment Adjustment.
- **August 1 – September 30, 2016**
CAH 2015 Reconsideration Application Submission Period.
- **December 31, 2016**
Last day of the Calendar Year (CY). Reporting year ends for Program Year 2016.
- **2021**
Last year to receive Medicaid EHR incentive payment.

For Help with Meaningful Use

Regional Extension Centers (REC) with Kentucky Service

- Kentucky REC at the University of Kentucky: <http://kentuckyrec.com/>
- NorthEast Kentucky Regional Health Information Organization: <http://nekyrhio.org/>

For Help from Kentucky Medicaid

- Medicaid EHR website <http://chfs.ky.gov/dms/ehr.htm>
- Send an email to ehrincentives@ky.gov
- Send an email from Send E-mail function at <https://prdweb.chfs.ky.gov/KYSLR/Login.aspx>
- Submit an Issue/Concern through attestation website

Getting Started

- ✓ Register at CMS
- ✓ Individual NPI and Registration Identifier (assigned by CMS)
- ✓ Payment reassignment documentation
- ✓ 90 day patient volume report
- ✓ Meaningful Use reports for MU reporting period
- ✓ Certified EHR Technology supporting documentation
- ✓ Screen shot of CMS Certification ID from the Certified Health IT Product List website
- ✓ Meaningful Use Confirmation form (provided by KHIE) and/or Go-Live Approval form (provided by KHIE)

Kentucky Medicaid EHR Incentive Program Status, November 30, 2015

| | Registrations | Completed Attestations | Total Paid | Amount Paid |
|------------------|---------------|------------------------|------------|------------------|
| Hospitals | 95 | 254 | 242 | \$124,349,634.58 |
| Providers | 4,009 | 5,810 | 4,717 | \$77,141,750.16 |
| Totals | 4,104 | 6,064 | 4,959 | \$201,491,384.74 |

Kentucky Medicare EHR Incentive Program Status, September 2015

Total Payments to EPs and EHs: 8,402

Total Amount Paid: \$337,866,303.96

KHIE Connection

Kentucky Health Information Exchange (KHIE) is the Public Health Authority in the Commonwealth for the public health measures within the EHR Incentive Program. In order to be deemed a Meaningful User the provider must have a signed Participation Agreement and signed addendum(s) on file with KHIE for each public health objective selected for attestation.

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